

JAN 05 2006

PTO/SB/97 (09-04)  
Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

**Certificate of Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8**

USPTO Fax No.: (571) 273-8300

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the United  
States Patent and Trademark Office

on January 5, 2006  
Date

Lisa Z. Turner  
Signature

LISA Z. TURNER

Typed or printed name of person signing Certificate

Registration Number, if applicable      302-892-0648  
Telephone Number

Note: Each paper must have its own certificate of transmission, or this certificate must identify each submitted paper.

10/874309  
BB1439USCNT  
Status Inquiry

Page 1 of 2

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.8. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 1.8 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Rev. 10/93

PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

JAN 05 2006

IN THE APPLICATION OF:

STEPHEN M. ALLEN ET. AL.

CASE NO.: BB1439USCNT

APPLICATION NO.: 10/674309

GROUP ART UNIT: 1638

FILED: SEPTEMBER 30, 2003

EXAMINER:


FOR: STARCH BRANCHING ENZYME IIB

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The undersigned respectfully requests status information regarding the above-captioned application.

Respectfully submitted,

  
LORI Y. BEARDELL  
ATTORNEY FOR APPLICANTS  
Registration No.: 34,293  
Telephone: (302) 992-4926  
Facsimile: (302) 892-1026Dated: 1/5/06 LYO